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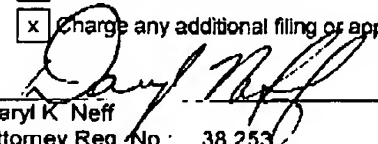
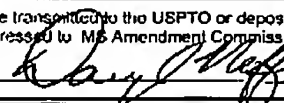
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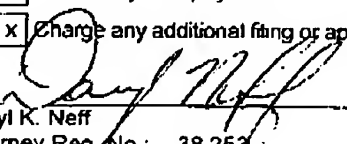
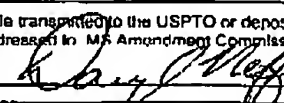
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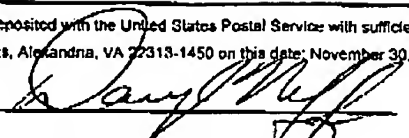
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In response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2004, Applicants submit the following arguments and remarks for the Examiner's consideration.

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